

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re the Application of:**

Bhushan KHALADKAR et al.

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For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR  
EFFICIENT ACCESS TO NODES IN XML  
DATA

Group Art Unit: 2178

Examiner: Tsui, Wilson W.

Confirmation No. 9920

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114 WITH  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 13, 2008, please amend this application in accordance with the following amendment sheet(s). Applicants request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 13.